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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This Amendment and Response to Office Action filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 is responsive to the Office Action dated August 13, 2003 issued regarding the above-referenced patent application. A request for Extension of Time and appropriate fees is filed herewith.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this response.